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CLASS ELECTION HELD.

The senior class of the Washington College of Law held its annual class election last night, with the result that Urban E. Goerner was elected president; Miss Kate P. Johnson, vice president; Mr. Charles Lou Watts, secretary; Miss Margaret F. Lutz, treasurer; and Mrs. Rosalie McNeil, chairman executive committee. Miss Nita P. Allen was elected class orator, to speak at the annual college banquet, which is held early in February.

Wets Win by One Vote.

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 8.—The "wets" of Smithfield, Isle of Wight County, by a bare majority of one have secured the petition necessary to call a local option election. Smithfield has been dry many years. The vote will be cast the second Tuesday in January.

Largest Morning Circulation.

STUDENTS PRANCE AS CHORUS GIRLS IN SCHOOL OPERA

Gay Coryphees Are Seen in Sportive Array.

THESPIAS IS CONQUERED

Sigma Lambda Maids Give Up-rarious Entertainment.

Even Habitués of Bald-headed Row Would Gripe with Delight at the Sight of These Lissom Young Dancers of Central High School, Who Give Merry Show in Immaculate Conception Hall.

Light opera attained perfection, realism gnashed its teeth and fled, and Terpsichore smiled a happy smile, and a score of pretty girls, representing the alumnae of the Central High School, deserted the higher life and gave a depiction of a chorus girl's life, in the theater of the Immaculate Conception Hall last night.

Half a thousand students, graduates, teachers, and outsiders attended the performance, which was given for the benefit of the Sigma Lambda Sorority. Before the performance was half concluded the half thousand had applauded as they never applauded before. For everybody agreed that the performance was the most ambitious, from every standpoint, ever attempted by any Washington group of amateur thespians.

SEARCH FOR PLOT.

Strictly classified, the production would wobble between the line of spectacular extravaganza and conventional light opera. The plot suggested the latter, because there wasn't any. But then there wasn't supposed to be. The two acts carried the spectators through various incidents of the chorus girl's life.

And what little chorus girls they were! The theatrical habitué—even the vicious old bald-head in the front row—would not sooner think of inviting one of these chorus girls to a hot bird and a cold bottle than he would of sticking his elderly neck in a hangman's noose.

But even at that some of the more conservative received a gentle electric shock when Miss Lillian Menough floated before the stage lights in what she called the "harlem-scarum" skirt, but which looked more like a pair of fine old trousers pressed the wrong way. And she had scarcely been off the stage than she returned with a lissom chorus to announce she "was looking for a girl like you."

Grooms Male Alumni.

Suddenly she switched, and in charming soprano told the startled male alumni that she was looking for a boy like them. Johnny Shields and Roswell Snow, whose boyhood days ceased when dimness went out of fashion, blushed and tried to look unconscious. It was

LOCAL MENTION.

EXCURSIONS TO-DAY.

Norfolk and Washington Steamboat Company's steamer from foot of Seventh street for Old Point Comfort and Norfolk leaves at 6:30 p. m. Steamer Charles Maclester for Mount Vernon and Marshall Hall leaves Seventh street wharf at 9 a. m. and 1:30 p. m. daily, except Sunday. Cars from Fifteenth street and New York avenue every quarter hour for main entrance Zoo Park, Chevy Chase, and Kensington.

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stated after the performance that prior information about the singing of this song had kept Principal Wilson away. The curtain went up shortly after 3 o'clock and revealed a stage setting that dimly recalled Rose Stahl's famous dressing-rom. Then the orchestra began to perform a major operation on "Day Dream" and Miss Lillian Menough, as "Tottie Coughdrop," made her initial appearance, with a charmingly gowned chorus. The happy chorus girls dispersed themselves quietly most charmingly. They did not steal each other's gum. They did not even curse. If any member of the audience had even seen a real chorus girl—burlesque variety pretense—she would have been closing her eyes on this scene of girlish freshness and dreamed of the millennium.

Some Clever Dialogues.

Then came bits of clever dialogue, some from the poignant pen of James Forbes, and some from the no less poignant weapon of Miss Olive Wright, who staged, wrote, and produced the little classic.

The audience was just growing calm when Geraldine Dulcinea—no, Miss Snow—came forth to give what proved to be the musical hit of the evening. Six girls clad in white blouse effects danced while she sang "Honey Man"—and danced in a way that few professional choruses could hope to equal. First it was a step or two of the jig, then swing and a gentle undulating slide; real ragtime, every bar of it, and danced with the perfection of rhythm. Five times the little singer and her chorus were recalled to the stage by the tumult of applause that followed this song.

Then came that famous scene from "The Chorus Lady," wherein Patricia O'Brien seeks to straighten out the affections of "Smith," the society woman, who is in love with an Italian tenor, Mary Minnie, as Patricia O'Brien, and Carrie McKinley, as Smith, the extra girl, gave the most likable sketch of the former taking off the chorus girl's "don't-give-a-hang" idea to perfection.

Incidentally the only man who was allowed behind the stage performed during this sketch. Charles Stevenson sang the clown's song from "I Pasha," and sang it well.

The climax of the performance came at the very end, when Miss Olive Wright, dressed as Pieretta, sang "I Like It" with a Mardi Gras chorus behind her.

Among the performers were Jane Grey Gardner, Edith C. Sweet, Olive Wright, Peggy Strawn, Harriet Snow, Lillian Menough, Minnie Minnie, Helen Durkin, Belle Meyers, Esther Sullivan, Carrie McKinley, Gertrude Carpenter, and Margaret Seyboth.

Oh, yes! They had a man to lead the orchestra and three male scene shifters, but nobody asked who they were.

FREIGHT REDUCTION ENJOINED BY COURT

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table, it will be many months at least before a conclusion is in sight, and the cases undoubtedly will be carried to the Supreme Court.

Western Cities Gloomy.

The action of the court will be keenly disappointing to folk in Western cities who have been complaining against long and short haul rates, and officials in Washington who interpret everything in terms of politics, are mourning the injunctions as further ill luck for President Taft. The intermountain cities held great celebrations over what they regard as their emancipation when the Interstate Commerce Commission's sweeping change would be far-reaching than had been at first anticipated, actually bringing about in many instances great changes in trade centers. These men will join with the railroads in their bitter opposition to the Commerce Court decision.

Some of the influential business men in the West had begun to realize that the effects of the Interstate Commerce Commission's sweeping change would be far-reaching than had been at first anticipated, actually bringing about in many instances great changes in trade centers. These men will join with the railroads in their bitter opposition to the Commerce Court decision.

Railroad officials themselves have acknowledged that they could not tell what would be the ultimate effects upon the cities of the West of the changes which the Interstate Commerce Commission had ordered.

The Commerce Court handed down no opinion in its decision, but it did not wait until it had heard the arguments of the railroads. The brief period remaining before the reductions were to go into effect was responsible for the entering of the orders before the court.

There is a probability that the constitutionality of some features of the new railroad rate law enacted in 1910 may be involved in the Commerce Court's opinion granting the injunction.

The Railroads' Claim.

The attorneys for the railroads, in opposing the Commerce Court decision, are claiming that the Commerce Court's ruling and petitioning for a preliminary injunction, contend that section 4 of the new act to regulate interstate commerce is unconstitutional and void. In that Congress has assumed to delegate legislative powers to the Interstate Commerce Commission. The railroad lawyers contend that in this section the commission was empowered arbitrarily to grant or withhold leave to charge less for the longer than for the shorter haul of like commodities over the same line in the same direction, and that no standard was supplied by law for the guidance or control of the commission in passing upon applications for leave to charge such lower rates.

The Commerce Court also contended that the action of the Interstate Commerce Commission was confiscatory and amounted to the taking of property without due process of law.

The complaints of all the intermountain cities involved the so-called long and short haul controversy. Under present conditions a commodity rate from Pennsylvania to Spokane, for instance, is the rate from a Missouri river place to the Pacific Coast, plus haul from the Pacific Coast to Spokane. The Interstate Commerce Commission in the Spokane case divided the United States into five territorial zones. It ordered that for places west of the Missouri River no higher charges should be made for any intermediate place than to a more distant place. For freight originating from Chicago and points on a line with it, the commission allowed a 1 per cent advance over the rates charged from the same places of origin to the Pacific Coast terminals. For freight originating in the Buffalo-Pittsburgh zone the commission allowed a 1 per cent increase for intermediate points, and for freight originating in the Atlantic Seaboard zone, a 2 per cent increase over the long-haul rates.

The lawyers representing the Interstate Commerce Commission and the government have contended that the rates imposed by the Interstate Commerce Commission were not confiscatory, inasmuch as they were based merely at a percentage of the rate charged to the Pacific Coast. There was no prohibition in the commission's order against the railroads increasing their long-haul rates to the Pacific Coast, and thus making a proportionate increase in the rates to intermediate points. The commission would still, however, retain the right to pass upon the reasonableness of the basic long-haul rates to the Pacific Coast.

Fixed All Schedules.

The railroads answered this argument by declaring that they could not increase their rates to Pacific Coast points because they would not be able then to meet the water competition. Under the Interstate Commerce Commission's order they were obliged, it is said, either to increase their rates to Pacific points or decrease their present rates to intermediate points. In either event, they contended, it would amount to confiscation.

The Interstate Commerce Commission, before ordering the reduction in the commodity rates, fixed certain arbitrary schedules, and then had the railroads keep their accounts at these figures for a certain number of months. The commission accepted the figures for these months as typical of the business for the year, and on the basis of these figures ordered the reductions which have now been held up by the Commerce Court. The commission in handing down its findings in the Spokane case declared that it was satisfied that the reductions proposed were not unreasonable.

Many Seek Open Tickets.

New York, Nov. 9.—A line of devotees of music three blocks long ended at the box office of the Metropolitan Opera House this morning when tickets were placed on sale for the opening of the season next Monday night, when "Carmen" and "Destiny" will appear in "Aida."

Very Likely.

From Puck. Count Rillas (reading)—It says in this paper that a flea can jump 2,000 times its own length.

Uncle Heck—That's probably why we never hear of a flea getting run over by an automobile.

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Two Men Found Guilty of Conspiracy to Rob Motor-man Who Had a "Roll."

After an exciting trial, in which they were charged with a conspiracy to rob Edward C. Sears, a Washington motor-man, of \$500 through the wily devices of card sharps, John B. F. Harrison and William A. Marshall were found guilty by a jury in Judge Anderson's court yesterday. A motion for a new trial was made for the two men, but the court increased to \$1,500.

On the evening of January 20 last, Sears went to a moving picture show on Pennsylvania avenue, and was accosted by Harrison, who introduced himself as a drummer for a large hosiery factory. Harrison also told Sears he had a big bunch of money on his person. He invited Sears to come along and have a drink. While on their way in quest of a saloon, Marshall came along, and in a familiar manner, slapped Harrison on the back, saying: "I am a member of the Philadelphia Club, can't you tell me where it is located?" They were apparently untroubled with each other, Marshall said he was the son of a wealthy man, and also had a wad of

NEEDED AN UNDERTAKER.

Startling Testimony in Case of Alleged Poisoner.

Chicago, Nov. 9.—As a preliminary to the presentation of the case of Mrs. Louise Vermilya to the grand jury, several witnesses were summoned before Assistant State's Attorney Burham today. The most important affidavit was that of Arthur Hunsomette, ex-father of the policeman, for whose death the woman was arrested.

He described the death room scene and told of having been taken ill the day his son died after partaking of food that had been prepared for him by Mrs. Vermilya.

The death of Richard T. Smith was described by Mrs. L. Mayasack. Smith died in Mrs. Vermilya's home, where Mrs. Mayasack was also a roomer. She said she had been called by Mrs. Vermilya at 2:30 o'clock in the morning to help Smith, who had been taken ill.

She found Smith on his hands and knees. Soon Dr. L. L. Hertel arrived. Mrs. Mayasack said Dr. Hertel came and went into the room where Smith lay.

"He felt his pulse," she said, "and then whispered something to Mrs. Vermilya. I could not hear what he said. While he was whispering I thought he said: 'Doctor, aren't you going to do something for this man. He has been lying there a half hour this way,' and the doctor said, 'yes—get an undertaker.'"

Mrs. Vermilya's counsel and her two sisters visited her at the County Jail Hospital this afternoon and found her in excellent spirits.

Stillson Hutchins Improved.

The condition of Stillson Hutchins was reported greatly improved late last night by Dr. William Gerry Morgan and Dr. Z. T. Sowers, attending physicians. Yesterday he left his bed and sat up for a short time.

Baseball vs. Art.

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WOULDSAVE WOMAN FROM THE GALLOW

Mass Meeting to Enlist Aid for Mattie Lomax.

Representative Caleb Powers, of Kentucky, was not on hand to address the mass meeting at the Cosmopolitan Baptist Church in N street last night in the interests of executive clemency for Mattie E. Lomax, negro murderess, sentenced to be hanged on November 20, for the murder of her husband. Rev. Simon P. W. Drew, pastor of the Cosmopolitan Church, announced at the close of the meeting that Representative Powers was detained in Kentucky, and had sent his regrets. The two lawyers of the woman, John Ridout and Samuel Truett, also were unable to be present.

The chief contention of the speakers was that Mattie Lomax is in the last stages of consumption; that her execution would be the first in the District of Columbia for fifty years, and that President Taft has promised interest in the case should the District Court of Appeals refuse a new trial.

Rev. Mr. Drew gave a brief history of the Mattie Lomax case; how she was tried, convicted, and sentenced, and then of the subsequent interest taken in the case by Washingtonians who are loath to see a repetition of the execution of Mrs. Surratt, fifty years ago. He made a brief reference to the Richeson murder case at Brookline, Mass.

He was followed by Rev. I. N. Ross, pastor of the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, who proclaimed himself from the start a bitter enemy of capital punishment.

Judge E. N. Hewlett, former justice of the District Municipal Court, expressed his opinion that Mattie Lomax "would never be hanged, having his assertion on an interview with President Taft before the Executive started on his trip to the West."

Mrs. Rosetta Lawson, member of the National Friends Society of America, closed with a talk on the aims and purposes of her organization.

Every speaker on the programme urged the support of Rev. Drew's idea to appoint a committee of 500 from every colored church in the city to solicit signatures to a monster petition which will be presented to President Taft on his return to Washington. Fully 20,000 names have already been secured, and it is supposed to raise the number to 100,000.

'Ware! Sneak Thief! \$95.

It took a sneak thief just five minutes to remove \$95 from a bureau drawer in the apartment of Harry Sullivan, 1209 U street northwest, yesterday. The thief left "no cards."

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